RCE TOW

MAR 1 4 2005

PTO/SB/30 (09-04) Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

Request
For
Continued Examination (RCE)
Transmittal

Address to:
MS RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Application Number 09/975,586-Conf. #9855

Filing Date October 11, 2001

First Named Inventor Peter C. Meltzer

Art Unit 1625

Examiner Name Not Yet Assigned

Attorney Docket Number 48913-CON (70207)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. Submission req	uired under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, a	ny previously filed unentered amendments and					
	osed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they w t wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) er						
	sly submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, an considered as a submission even if this box is not check						
i. Cor	nsider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief pr	reviously filed on					
<u>ii.</u> Oth	er						
b. x Enclose	ed .						
i. X Am	endment/Reply iii. Information	Disclosure Statement (IDS)					
ii. Affic	davit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. Other						
2. Miscellaneous							
a. Suspen	sion of action on the above-identified application is requ	uested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a					
period o	of months. (Period of suspension shall not ex	ceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)					
b. Other							
3. Fees The RC	E fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 v	when the RCE is filed.					
a. X The Dire	ector is hereby authorized to charge the following fees,	or credit any overpayments, to					
	<u> </u>	ive enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.					
i. X RCI	E fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)						
iii. [] Oth	er						
b. Check in the amount of \$ enclosed							
c. Paymer	nt by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)						
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED							
Signature	Mule Musellet	Date March 14, 2005					
Name (Print/Type)	Mark D. Russett	Registration No. 41,281					

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being de	posited with the U.S	. Postal Service a	s Express Mail,	Airbill No. EV	517932849 US
in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Comi	nissioner for Patents	s, P.O. Box 1450,	Alexandria, VA	22313-1450,	on the date
shown below.	1.0				

Dated: March 14, 2005

Signature:

(Ciricole McKinnon)

03/17/2005 CCHRU1